

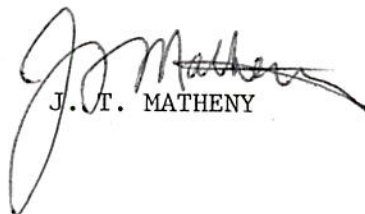


1981

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
COMMANDER LIGHT ATTACK WING ONE
NAVAL AIR STATION
CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA 32215

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From: Commander Light Attack Wing ONE
To: Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (Attn: OP-05D2)
Subj: Command History for 1981
Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12C of 11 Jan 1980
Encl: (1) Chronological Summary of Operations
1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.


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COMMANDER LIGHT ATTACK WING ONE
NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA

COMMAND HISTORY CY 1980

- I. COMMAND ORGANIZATION (enclosed as Attachment A)
- II. MISSION: Operational and administrative control of two training squadrons and management control of twelve fleet squadrons undergoing shore based training at Cecil.
- III. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS (CHRONOLOGICAL):

JANUARY	Conducted Command Inspection and Corrosion Control Audit of VA-45 based at Key West, FL
	Conducted Command Inspection of VA-37
	Represented users at Stencil Ejection Seat Conference at Ashville, NC
	Attended Air Refueling Stores (ARS) Management Review at NAVAIR
	Conducted Predeployment brief for VA-81, VA-83 and VS-30 families
FEBRUARY	Conducted precruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-81/83
	Conducted midcruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-46/72
	Conducted Command Inspection of VA-105
	Completed Operational Readiness Exercise of VA-81/83 onboard USS FORRESTAL
	Attended ARS Publications In-Process Review (IPR) at NARF Alameda, CA
MARCH	Completed Operational Readiness Exercise of VA-192/195 onboard USS AMERICA
	CLAW-1 Sailor of the Year AZ1 (b) (6) nominated as AIRLANT Shore Sailor of the Year
	Participated in CINCLANTFLT Exercise Control Program (TCRP 21)
	Conducted Predeployment Brief for VA-82, VA-86, VS-24 and HS-9 families

Enclosure (1)

APRIL Captain L. W. Smith relieved by Captain J. M. Waples as Commander Light Attack Wing ONE

Conducted Conventional Weapons Technical Proficiency Inspection on VA-12/66

Conducted Command Inspection of VA-12/66

MAY Conducted Conventional Weapons Technical Proficiency Inspection on VA-37/105

Provided Conventional Weapons Training at NAS Dallas, Texas for CVWR-20, VF-201 and VF-202 Ordnance Personnel

Provided weekend Conventional Weapons Training for MAG-42 Ordnance Reserve personnel

Conducted Conventional Weapons Class for VS-32

JUNE Completed Operational Readiness Exercise of VA-82/86 aboard USS NIMITZ

Conducted Conventional Weapons Class for VS-22

JULY Inspected by COMTACWINGSLANT Command Inspection Team

Conducted midcruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-81/83

Conducted precruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-82/86

Participated in turnaround training brief by VA-15/87 following deployment

Maintenance Officer, Prospective Maintenance Officer and Assistant Maintenance Officer attended Maintenance Officer Symposium at Norfolk and A-7E Drive In Mod Program Review at NARF Jacksonville

AMSC (b) (6) attended Stencil Ejection Seat Conference at Asheville, North Carolina

Provided Conventional Weapons Training at NAS Fallon, Nevada for CVWR-20 and USS SARATOGA/ENTERPRISE Ordnance personnel

AUGUST Cecil Field F/A-18 Fleet Introduction Team (FIT) received charter to develop training and logistic support for East Coast Navy and Marine Corps F/A-18 aircraft

AVCM Linder attended Command Master Chief Conference in Norfolk

Attended AIRLANT TADTAR Decentralization
Conference at NAS Jacksonville

Conducted Conventional Weapons Class for VS-28

Conducted a postcruise Corrosion Control Audit
of VA-15/87

AMSC (b) (6) attended an Operation Evaluation of
the Stencil Seat in Dallas, Texas

Presented post-deployment brief for VA-81, VA-83,
VS-30 families

Conducted Pre-deployment Brief for VA-12, VA-66,
and VS-31 families

SEPTEMBER

Conducted Pre-deployment Brief for VA-37, VA-105,
and VS-22 families

TADTAR Decentralization Training at NAS Jacksonville

Conducted Conventional Weapons Technical Proficiency
Inspection on VA-72

The staff enrolled in the DEERS Program

AMSC (b) (6) attended the ILSMT Conference for the
Stencil Ejection Seat at Asheville, North Carolina

AOC (b) (6) represented CNAL at the Walleye Conference
at NARF Jacksonville

OCTOBER

CLAW-1 becomes TADTAR holder and order issuing authority
for parent staff and VA-174

CLAW-1 F/A-18 Fleet Introduction Team hosted the NAS
Cecil Field F/A-18 Site Activation Conference

Conducted Conventional Weapons Technical Proficiency
Inspection of VA-15/87

LCDR (b) (6) attended 37th Annual Mine Conference at
Naval Mine Engineering Facility, Yorktown, Virginia

Conducted precruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-37/105

NOVEMBER

Conducted Conventional Weapons Class for VA-204

Conducted precruise Corrosion Control Audit of VA-82/86
aboard NIMITZ; conducted precruise Corrosion Control
Audit of VA-37/105

Completed Operational Readiness Exercise of VA-12/66
onboard USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Maintenance Officer, Assistant Maintenance Officer, and Prospective Maintenance Officer attended Seventh A7E FLIR and 34th Integrated Logistic Support Management Team Conference at Vought Corporation in Dallas, Texas

First F/A-18 Hornet arrives NAS Cecil Field from Naval Air Test Center, Pax River, MD, for servicing presentation to LATWING/NAS Cecil Field and local publicity

Filmed "Hi Daddy" Christmas film for VA-82, VA-86, VS-24 and HS-9 fathers deployed aboard NIMITZ

Participated in CINCLANT Exercise Control Program (TCRP-22)

DECEMBER

USS JOHN F. KENNEDY F-18 Site Survey conducted by CLAW-1 F/A-18 Fleet Introduction Team

CLAW-1 sponsored safety standdown/F/A-18 briefing for LATWING ONE at NAS Cecil BOQ. Static display provided by VFA-125 NAS Lemoore

LT (b) (6), Supply Officer, attended SHORCAL Review at Aviation Supply Office, Philadelphia, PA

Conducted Command Inspection of VA-174 and VA-87

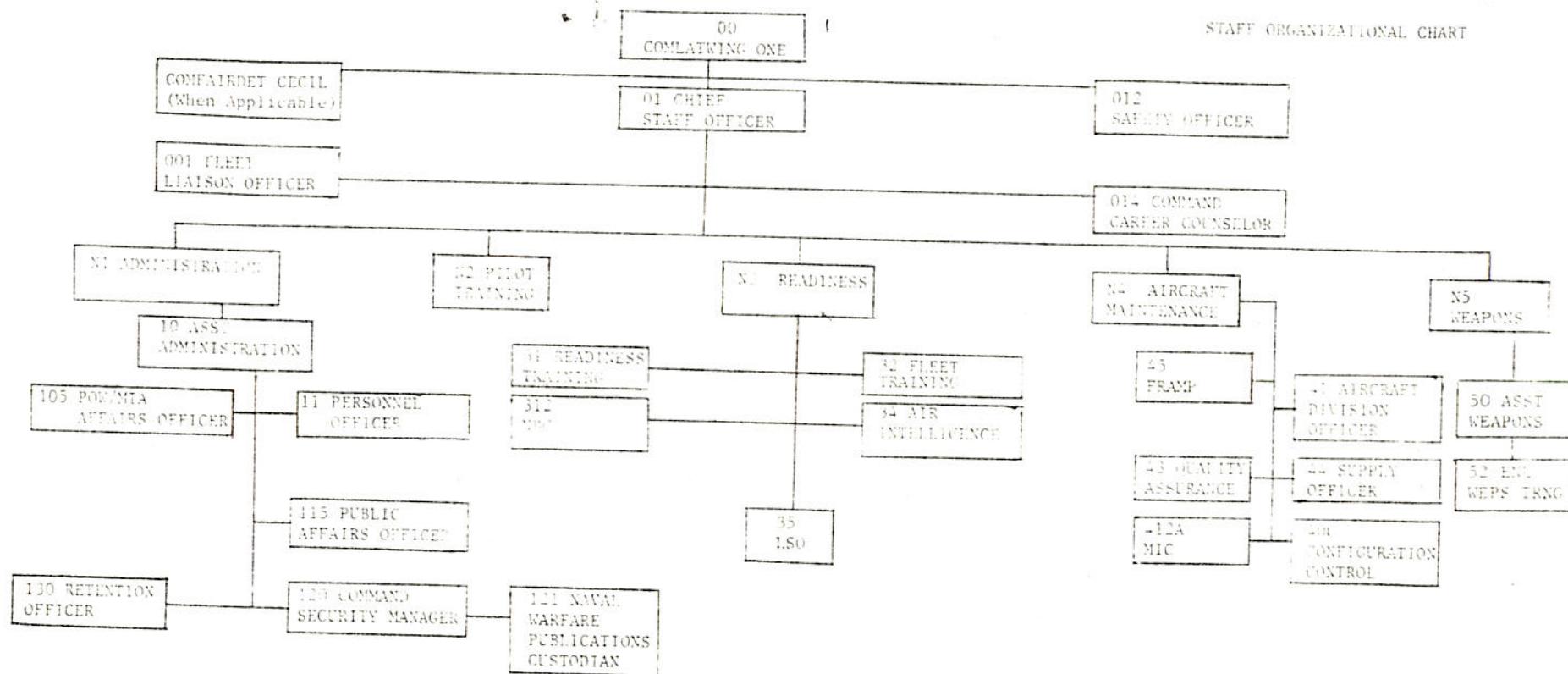
ADC (b) (6) visited AIRLANT for Aerial Refueling Store Program Management Review

Completed Operational Readiness Exercise of VA-46/72 aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY

Visit by Navy Force Master Chief Bill Smith

Attended FICEURLANT sponsored Mission Planning Conference

STAFF ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



CAPTAIN JOHN M. WAPLES, USN
COMMANDER LIGHT ATTACK WING ONE

Captain John "Wapes" Waples entered the Navy in April 1958 as a Naval Aviation Cadet and received his wings and commission in September 1959.

Captain Waples reported to NAS Quonset Point, Rhode Island and flew the A-1 Skyraider with VAW-12 and later VAW-33 aboard the USS LAKE CHAMPLAIN. In October 1962 he reported to VT-30 at NAS Corpus Christi as an instructor pilot.

In 1965, following transition to the A-4 Skyhawk with VA-44, he reported to VA-76. During his tour with VA-76 Captain Waples made combat deployments to Southeast Asia aboard the USS ENTERPRISE in 1966 and aboard USS BON HOMME RICHARD in 1967. He departed VA-76 in April 1968 and attended the Naval Aviation Safety School prior to reporting to VA-45 as Safety Officer. From May 1970 to March 1971 Captain Waples served as Navy Liaison Officer with VMA-331 aboard USS INDEPENDENCE flying the A-4E aircraft.

He transitioned to the A-7 Corsair in April 1971 as a replacement pilot in VA-174, and reported to VA-46 in October 1971 as Operations Officer, making two Mediterranean deployments aboard USS KENNEDY. He returned to VA-174 in January 1974 as Executive Officer. In May 1975 he reported to VA-83 as Executive Officer aboard USS FORRESTAL in the Mediterranean. Captain Waples commanded VA-83 from August 1976 to November 1977. Following his tour as Commanding Officer he reported to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University where he graduated in April 1979 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Professional Aeronautics.

Captain Waples' most recent tour of duty was as Commander Carrier Air Wing TWO aboard the San Diego-based carrier, USS RANGER. As COMCVW-2, Captain Waples recently recorded a milestone when he logged his 1505th carrier arrested landing aboard the RANGER making him the leading "tailhooker" in U. S. aviation history. This is particularly significant since all landings were made in operational fleet aircraft which include the A-1, A-4, A-6, A-7 and F-14 Tomcat. This record spans a career of 23 years and over 6700 flight hours.

Captain Waples' personal decorations include: 2 awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross, 5 individual and 21 Strike/Flight Air Medals, 6 Navy Commendation Medals, and the Navy Unit Commendation (CVW-21, USS BON HOMME RICHARD).

Captain Waples is married to the former
who presently resides with their children

